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P R 151557Z APR 77  
FM AMEMBASSY OSLO  
TO USIA WASHDC PRIORITY  
SECSTATE WASHDC 3568  
INFO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SOPN, NO, UR  
SUBJECT: NORWEGIAN-SWEDISH TV INTERVIEW WITH SAKHAROV

(BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED)

1. NORWEGIAN AND SWEDISH NATIONAL TELEVISION CORRESPONDENTS, USING VISITING SWEDISH CAMERAMAN, HAVE CONDUCTED JOINT INTERVIEW WITH SAKHAROV. INTERVIEW CARRIED NORWEGIAN TV LAST NIGHT (APRIL 14) AND UNDERSTAND IT WILL BE RUN SWEDISH TV TONIGHT, AS WELL AS ON OTHER STATIONS IN EUROVISION NETWORK. NORWEGIAN TV HAS SCHEDULED ANOTHER INTERVIEW BY ITS MOSCOW CORRESPONDENT WITH ROY MEDVEDEV FOR TONIGHT.

2. IN INTERVIEW, SKHAROV REPEATED MAIN THEMES HIS RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH WESTERN PRESS. HE SAID SOVIET PRESSURE ON HIM AND HIS FAMILY IS STEADILY INCREASING AND MAKES A NORMAL LIFE IMPOSSIBLE. HE STRESSED THAT THIS,  
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AS WELL AS THE ARRESTS OF MANY OF HIS FRIENDS, IS HAPPENING DESPITE THE HELSINKI AGREEMENTS. HE SAID THAT THE INCREASED PRESSURE FROM INTERNATIONAL OPINION HAS CREATED A DRAMATIC SITUATION AND THAT THE STRUGGLE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE USSR AND EASTERN EUROPE HAS REACHED A DRAMATIC STAGE. IN THE INTERVIEW, HE MAKES APPEAL TO INTERNATIONAL OPINION

TO CONTINUE SUPPORT ON HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES.  
COMMENT: (BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) COMING FROM  
STATE-OWNED TELEVISION RATHER THAN INDEPENDENTLY-OWNED  
NEWSPAPER, THIS INTERVIEW LIKELY TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN  
APPARENT SOVIET BELIEF THAT NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT  
INTENTIONALLY ATTEMPTING CREATE TENSION IN NORWEGIAN-  
SOVIET RELATIONS. SOVIETS PREVIOUSLY HAVE REFUSED  
TO ACCEPT IDEA THAT THOUGH NORWEGIAN TELEVISION IS  
STATE-OWNED, IT ENJOYS FULL EDITORIAL INDE-  
PENDENCE. NORWEGIAN TELEVISION FOREIGN EDITOR  
TOLD EMBOFF, HOWEVER, THAT HE DOES NOT EXPECT MOSCOW  
CORRESPONDENT TO BE EXPELLED SINCE HE IS SCHEDULED TO  
RETURN DEFINITELY TO NORWAY JUNE FIRST.  
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